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Application Number	09/859,558
Filing Date	May 17, 2001
First Named Inventor	Gan et al.
Art Unit	1745
Examiner Name	L. Weiner
Attorney Docket Number	04645.0734

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ii. ☐ Other _____

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i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

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iv. ☐ Other _____

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a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

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FEE TRANSMITTAL **for FY 2002**

Patent Fees are subject to annual revision.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Small Entity

Fee Fee Fee Fee
Code (\$) Code (\$) Fee Description Fee Paid

101 770 201 385 Utility filing fee \$

106 340 206 170 Design filing fee \$

107 530 207 265 Plant filing fee \$

108 770 208 385 Reissue filing fee \$

114 160 214 80 Provisional filing fee \$

SUBTOTAL (1)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY/ REISSUE

Extra Fee from
Claims below

Total Claims // -20** = // x // = \$

Independent Claims // - 3** = // x // = \$

Multiple dependent // x // = \$

Large Entity Small Entity

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103 18 203 9 Claims in excess of 20 \$

102 86 202 43 Independent claims in excess of 3 \$

104 290 204 145 Multiple dependent claim if not paid \$

109 86 209 43 **Reissue independent claims over original patent \$

110 18 210 9 **Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent \$

SUBTOTAL (2)

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Large Entity

Small Entity

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105 130 205 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath \$

127 50 227 25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet \$

139 130 139 130 Non-English specification \$

147 2,520 147 2,520 For filing a request for *ex parte* reexamination \$

112 920* 112 920* Requesting Publication of SIR prior to Examiner Action \$

113 1,840* 113 1,840* Requesting Publication of SIR after Examiner Action \$

115 110 215 55 Extension for reply within first month \$

116 420 216 210 Extension for reply within second month \$

117 950 217 475 Extension for reply within third month \$

118 1,480 218 740 Extension for reply within fourth month \$

128 2,010 228 1,005 Extension for reply within fifth month \$

119 330 219 165 Notice of Appeal \$

120 330 220 165 Filing a brief in support of an appeal \$

121 290 221 145 Request for oral hearing \$

138 1,510 138 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding \$

140 110 240 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable \$

141 1,330 241 665 Petition to revive - unintentional \$

142 1,330 242 665 10 advance copies Utility issue fee (or reissue) \$

143 480 243 240 Design issue fee \$

144 640 244 320 Plant issue fee \$

122 130 122 130 Petitions to the Commissioner \$

123 50 123 50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q) \$

126 180 126 180 Submission of Information Disclosure Statement \$

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146 770 246 385 Filing a submission after final rejection(37 CFR 1.129(a)) \$

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